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Low-Priority Tasks****AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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Sir:

Enclosed is an amendment in the above-identified patent application.

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Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action dated October 4, 2004, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the outstanding rejection(s) of the claims in view of the remarks that follow.